

**LONGMONT LIBRARY BOARD
LONGMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD ROOM
409 FOURTH AVENUE
Monday, October 27, 2014
7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairperson Mark Springfield.

1. Roll Call
 - a) Present: Board Members Mark Springfield, Genny Michael, Katie Fuller, Cathy Balan, Nancy Carter; Library Director Judith Anderson; Councilmember Jeff Moore
2. Approval of minutes
 - a) The minutes of the September 22, 2014 meeting were approved and seconded.
3. New Business
 - a) Report on Teen 2nd Saturdays
 - Board Member Balan attended the October Teen 2nd Saturday and was very impressed with the program including: the number of teens in attendance, their overall excitement to be there and interaction with one another, and the quantity and variety of programs in which teens participated. It is one of the most popular programs that the library offers and she congratulated the library staff on a job well done.
 - b) Little Library Project
 - The Board continued its discussion about Little Libraries and whether or not this is a project with which it would like to move forward.
 - Board Members Springfield and Balan spoke with Bryan Holinka who spearheaded a similar effort as a member of the Lafayette Library Board. There was not much data as Mr. Holinka and the Lafayette Library Board are letting it evolve organically and will see where their project goes .
 - Board Member Carter raised her concern that the Little Free Library Project started out as a grassroots, community-oriented movement and if people find out the library is involved via the Library Board, they may be turned off or it may take away from the grassroots element of this program.
 - Board Member Balan suggested that perhaps if the Library Board only put its units in open space/parks, the neighborhoods would then still be able to continue their own programs.
 - Overall, the driving factor for the Library Board is to get books into the hands of people who don't necessarily have access to them. As a result, Board Member Springfield moved to continue to work on developing this project and the Board concurred unanimously. Director Anderson will identify neighborhoods that could most use these units for the next meeting and the Board will continue its work on this project.
 - c) Library Board Meeting Schedule for the Remainder of 2014
 - There will be no change to the Library Board's meeting schedule for the months of November and December.
 - d) Upcoming Meeting with Senior Citizens Advisory Board
 - Board Member Springfield will attend the November 5 meeting of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board on behalf of the Library Board. His goal will be to learn about the Senior

Center and its offerings/programs and determine if/how the library can be of assistance to the center and to the people that go there.

4. Old Business

a) Flatirons Library Consortium

- Director Anderson attended a meeting with the current founding members of this consortium – Boulder, Broomfield, and Louisville. Representatives from Westminster, Lafayette, and the Westminster Campus of Front Range Community College were also present as they, along with Longmont, are hoping to join the consortium.
- If this group formed, it would be one of the largest consortiums in Colorado and could have a big influence on vendors.
- After forming, the first two goals of the consortium would be to update the catalogue software and to use buying power for better pricing on databases and e-resources.
- Director Anderson reported that things are looking promising but that most likely nothing will be incorporated until the end of 2015.

b) Services to Children on the Autism Spectrum and their Families

- The Longmont Library was awarded the 2014 Best Library Project by the Colorado Association of Libraries.

5. Friends of the Library Report

- a) Board Member Carter reported that the September book sale brought in about \$4000 and the October book sale brought in \$3374. The lobby sales are also up overall and the Friends continue to grow in membership.
- b) The Friends granted a funding request to renew Bookpage and customize the back advertisement.
- c) The Friends began their discussion regarding the funding of the 2015 Library Festival.

6. Library Director's Report

- a) The Colorado Association of Libraries Conference was recently held in Loveland and it showcased various BookCycles, including Longmont's.
- b) The city received a CHAMPS grant worth approximately \$14000. The library, recreation, and youth services will be working together in the summer of 2015 to take services to children who cannot come to their facilities. The library will be offering a summer reading program in South Longmont that will be combined with pickup sports and potentially a craft and lunch program.
- c) The library is receiving a Colorado State Grants for Libraries grant. It will be over \$19000 and will be used for education materials

7. The meeting adjourned at 8:42pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 24, 2014.